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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

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INFO AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG MY

SUBJ: CABINET DECISION TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION OF PETROLEUM

ACT AMENDMENT

1. EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED WITH REASONABLE CERTAINTY  
THAT MALAYSIAN CABINET, DURING MEETING LAST WEEK MAY,  
DECIDED THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT  
ACT AMENDMENT BE DELAYED FOR INDEFINITE PERIOD.

2. FIRST INDICATION WAS JUNE TWENTY-SIX MENTION  
BY JAPANESE EMBASSY OF BRIEF ARTICLE REPORTING THIS  
IN JAPANESE NEWSPAPER (PANA NEWS) PUBLISHED SINGAPORE.  
THIS FOLLOWED BY REPORT OF SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS BY  
BUSINESSMEN WITH PM ECONOMIC ADVISOR RAJA MOJAR AND  
DEPUTY MINISTER PM'S DEPARTMENT ABDULLAH AHMAD ALONG  
SAME LINES. ON JUNE TWENTY-SEVEN ECON COUNSELOR DIS-  
CUSSED WITH PRESIDENT EXXON PRODUCTION WALVOORD WHO  
STATED THAT HE SIMILARLY INFORMED BY AUTHORITATIVE  
SOURCES, ALTHOUGH NO FORMAL NOTIFICATION RECEIVED  
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(NOR IS IT EXPECTED).

3. COMMENT. DECISION TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION IS,  
OF COURSE, WELCOME. APPARENTLY THERE HAS BEEN SUF-  
FICIENT REACTION AND FEEDBACK TO CAUSE GOM TO DELAY  
IMPLEMENTATION UNTIL IT HAS CLEARER INDICATION OF  
WHAT PETRONAS CAN AND CANNOT NEGOTIATE WITH OIL  
COMPANIES AND IMPLICATIONS THEREOF. IN THIS REGARD,  
EXXON CONTINUING DISCUSSIONS WITH PETRONAS ON INTERIM  
ARRANGEMENT POSSIBILITIES PENDING FORMULATION BY  
PETRONAS OF POSITION TO BE TABLED FOR NEGOTIATION OF  
DEFINITIVE ARRANGEMENT. LACK OF SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS  
ON INTERIM ARRANGEMENT PERHAPS REFLECTED IN RAZALEIGH  
HYPERBOLE CARRIED FRONT PAGE JUNE TWENTY-SEVEN NST  
THAT "WE PREPARED TO LISTEN TO REASON, NOT THREATS."  
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